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DESIGNATION FORM

(to be used by counsel or pro se plaintiff to indicate the category of the case for the purpose of assignment to the appropriate calendar)

Address of Plaintiff: Benefit Fund for Hospital and Health Care Employees, et al., 1319 Locust Street, 3rd Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107				
Address of Defendant: American Academic Health System d/b/a Hahnemann University Hospital, 230 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102				
Place of Accident, Incident or Transaction:				
RELATED CASE, IF ANY:				
Case Number: Judge: Date Terminated:				
Civil cases are deemed related when Yes is answered to any of the following questions:				
1. Is this case related to property included in an earlier numbered suit pending or within one year previously terminated action in this court?				
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ARBITRATION CERTIFICATION (The effect of this certification is to remove the case from eligibility for arbitration.)				
I,, counsel of record or pro se plaintiff, do hereby certify:				
Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 53.2, § 3(c) (2), that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the damages recoverable in this civil action case exceed the sum of \$150,000.00 exclusive of interest and costs:				
Relief other than monetary damages is sought.				
DATE: 05/02/2019 Attorney -at-Law / Pro Se Plaintiff Attorney I.D. # (if applicable)				
NOTE: A trial de novo will be a trial by jury only if there has been compliance with F.R.C.P. 38.				

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

CASE MANAGEMENT TRACK DESIGNATION FORM

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In accordance with the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan of this court, counsel for plaintiff shall complete a Case Management Track Designation Form in all civil cases at the time of filing the complaint and serve a copy on all defendants. (See § 1:03 of the plan set forth on the reverse side of this form.) In the event that a defendant does not agree with the plaintiff regarding said designation, that defendant shall, with its first appearance, submit to the clerk of court and serve or the plaintiff and all other parties, a Case Management Track Designation Form specifying the track to which that defendant believes the case should be assigned.					of rse aid on	
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BENEFIT FUND FOR HOSPITAL AND HEALTH : CIVIL ACTION

CARE EMPLOYEES - PHILADELPHIA AND

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LAVERNE DEVALIA, Executive Director

1319 Locust Street, 3rd Floor

Philadelphia, PA 19107 : No.

and

PENSION FUND FOR HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CARE EMPLOYEES -PHILADELPHIA AND VICINITY and LAVERNE DEVALIA, Executive Director 1319 Locust Street, 3rd Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107

and

PHILADELPHIA HOSPITAL & HEALTH CARE EMPLOYEES – DISTRICT 1199C TRAINING AND UPGRADING FUND and CHERYL FELDMAN, Executive Director 100 South Broad Street, 10th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19110

Plaintiffs,

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AMERICAN ACADEMIC HEALTH SYSTEM d/b/a HAHNEMANN UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL 230 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

Defendants.

COMPLAINT

Plaintiffs, by undersigned counsel, complain about Defendant as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action under 29 U.S.C. §§ 185(a), 1132 and 1145 and 28 U.S.C. §1367.
- 2. A copy of this Complaint has been served on the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Treasury of the United States by certified mail.

VENUE

3. Venue lies in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania under 29 U.S.C. §§ 185(a) or 1132(e)(2).

PARTIES

- 4. Plaintiff, Benefit Fund for Hospital and Health Care Employees Philadelphia and Vicinity ("Benefit Fund") is a trust fund established under 29 U.S.C. § 186(c)(5) and "multiemployer plan" and "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 1002(37), (1) and (3). The Benefit Fund is administered within the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.
- 5. Plaintiff, Pension Fund for Hospital and Health Care Employees Philadelphia and Vicinity ("Pension Fund") is a trust fund established under 29 U.S.C. § 186(c)(5) and "multiemployer plan" and "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 1002(37), (2) and (3). The Pension Fund is administered within the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.
- 6. Plaintiff Laverne DeValia ("DeValia") is an executive director and fiduciary with respect to the Benefit Fund and the Pension Fund within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 1002 (21) with a business address as listed in the caption. She is authorized to bring this action on behalf of all Trustees of the Benefit Fund and all the Trustees of the Pension.

- 7. Plaintiff, Philadelphia Hospital & Health Care District 1199C Training and Upgrading Fund ("Training Fund") is a trust fund established under 29 U.S.C. § 186(c)(5) and "multiemployer plans" and "employee benefit plans" within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 1002(37), (1) and (3). The Training Fund is administered at the address listed in the caption.
- 8. Plaintiff Cheryl Feldman ("Feldman") is an executive director and fiduciary with respect to the Fund within the meaning of 29 U.S.C. § 1002 (21) with a business address as listed in the caption. She is authorized to bring this action on behalf of all Trustees of the Training Fund.
- 9. Defendant, American Academic Health System, LLC ("AAHS") d/b/a Hahnemann University Hospital is a limited liability company and is an employer in an industry affecting commerce with the meaning of 29 U.S.C. §§ 152 (2), (6) and (7), 1002(5), (11). AAHS is the parent company, owner and manager of Hahnemann University Hospital. AAHS has a business office at 222 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 900, El Segundo, CA 90245 and operates Hahnemann University Hospital at the address listed in the caption.

FACTS

- 10. At all times relevant to this action, Defendants were party to a collective bargaining agreement with the National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, District 1199C ("Labor Contract"). A true and correct copy of the Labor Contract is hereto attached as Exhibit 1.
- 11. Defendants also agreed to abide by the terms of the Declaration of Trust of the Funds as from time to time amended ("Trust Agreement") made between certain employers and employee representatives in an industry affecting interstate commerce to promote stable and peaceful labor relations.

- 12. Under the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement, the Defendants agreed:
 - (a) To make full and timely payments on a monthly basis to the Funds;
- (b) To file monthly remittance reports with the Funds detailing all employees or work for which contributions were required under the Labor Contracts;
- (c) To produce, upon request by the Funds, all books and records deemed necessary to conduct an audit of the Employer corporate records concerning its obligation to the Fund; and
- (d) To pay interest and liquidated damages and all costs of litigation expended by the Funds to collect any amounts due as a consequence of the Employers' failure to comply with its contractual obligations.
- 13. Defendants have failed to submit contributions to the Pension Fund for March and remittance reports to the Pension Fund for February and March 2019. Defendants made a payment to the Pension Fund on April 30, 2019 in the amount of \$900,000. Plaintiffs believe that Defendants' payment covers all of February 2019's contribution and most of March 2019's contribution. However, without the reports, Plaintiffs are unable to determine if there is a remaining delinquency. Based upon the monthly contributions made in previous months, \$471,825.78, Defendants owe the Pension Fund \$43,651.56 in contributions for the month of March 2019.
- 14. Defendants have failed to submit contributions and remittance reports to the Benefit Fund for January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019. Based upon the monthly contributions made in December 2018 (\$574,526.25), Defendants owe the Benefit Fund \$1,723,578.75 in contributions for the months of January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019.
- 15. Defendants have failed to submit contributions and remittance reports to the Training Fund for January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019. Based upon the monthly

contributions made in previous months, Defendants owe the Training Fund \$95,589.00 in contributions for the months of January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019.

16. On April 5, 2019, Fund Counsel wrote demand letters to Hahnemann on behalf of the Pension Fund and Benefit Fund. On the same date, Fund Counsel wrote a separate demand letter to Hahnemann on behalf of the Training Fund. The letters demand payment within ten days of the date of the letter. To date, none of the Plaintiffs have received payment of the outstanding contributions. True and correct copies of the Pension Fund and Benefit Fund letters from April 5, 2019 is hereto attached as Exhibit 2 and Exhibit 3, respectively. A true and correct copy of the Training Fund letter from April 5, 2019 is hereto attached as Exhibit 4.

COUNT I CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER CONTRACT

- 17. The allegations of Paragraphs 1 through 16 are incorporated by reference as if fully restated.
- 18. Defendants owe the Pension Fund \$43,651.56 in contributions for the month of March 2019, the Benefit Fund \$1,723,578.75 in contributions for the months of January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019 and the Training Fund \$95,589.00 in contributions for the months of January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019 under the Labor Contract.
- 19. Defendants have not paid the Plaintiffs as required by the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs ask that the Court:

(1) Enter judgment against the Defendants and in favor of the Pension Fund for at least the sum of \$43,651.56, plus any additional amounts which are found to be due and owing during the

pendency of this litigation, including liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection or enforcement of any judgment as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement.

- (2) Enter judgment against the Defendants and in favor of the Benefit Fund for at least the sum of \$1,723,578.75, plus any additional amounts which are found to be due and owing during the pendency of this litigation, including liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection or enforcement of any judgment as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement.
- (3) Enter judgment against the Defendants and in favor of the Training Fund for at least the sum of \$95,589.00, plus any additional amounts which are found to be due and owing during the pendency of this litigation, including liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection or enforcement of any judgment as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement
- (4) Grant such other or further relief, legal or equitable, as may be just, necessary or appropriate.

COUNT II CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER ERISA

- 20. The allegations of Paragraph 1 through 19 are incorporated by reference as if fully restated.
- 21. Defendants owe the Pension Fund \$43,651.56 in contributions for the month of March 2019, the Benefit Fund \$1,723,578.75 in contributions for the months of January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019 and the Training Fund \$95,589.00 in contributions for the months of January 2019, February 2019, and March 2019 in violation of 29 U.S.C. § 1145.

- Plaintiffs have been damaged by the Defendants' violation of 29 U.S.C. § 1145.WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs ask that the Court:
- (1) Enter judgment against the Defendants and in favor of the Pension Fund for at least the sum of \$43,651.56, plus any additional amounts which are found to be due and owing during the pendency of this litigation, including liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection or enforcement of any judgment as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement.
- (2) Enter judgment against the Defendants and in favor of the Benefit Fund for at least the sum of \$1,723,578.75, plus any additional amounts which are found to be due and owing during the pendency of this litigation, including liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection or enforcement of any judgment as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement.
- (3) Enter judgment against the Defendants and in favor of the Training Fund for at least the sum of \$95,589.00, plus any additional amounts which are found to be due and owing during the pendency of this litigation, including liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection or enforcement of any judgment as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreement
- (4) Grant such other or further relief, legal or equitable, as may be just, necessary or appropriate.

COUNT III AUDIT

23. The allegations of Paragraph 1 through 22 are incorporated by reference as if fully restated.

- 24. Defendants are obligated to permit the Plaintiffs to audit the Employers' corporate payroll records and to cooperate in determining the contributions due the Plaintiffs.
- 25. The amount of contributions the Defendants are required to pay to the Plaintiffs is based upon wages paid to employees performing work covered by the Labor Contract.
- 26. Plaintiffs are without sufficient information or knowledge to plead the precise nature, extent and amount of the Employers' delinquency since the books, records and information necessary to determine this liability are in the exclusive possession, custody and control or knowledge of the Employers and the Employers have failed to submit records or the required remittance reports for the period from January 2019 to the present. In addition, the Plaintiffs would like to audit the Employers' records for the year 2018 in that during that time period, Defendants made numerous mistakes in the preparation of the remittance reports submitted to the Plaintiffs.
- 27. Employers are required by the Labor Contract, Trust Agreements or applicable law to permit the Plaintiffs to audit its records and to cooperate in determining the contributions due the Plaintiffs.
- 28. Plaintiffs have no adequate remedy at law for the calculation of any damages suffered as a result of the breach itself requires an audit.
 - 29. All conditions precedent to equitable relief have been satisfied.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs ask that the Court:

(1) Enjoin the Defendants, their officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys and all others in active concert or participation with it to permit an audit of all records under the actual or constructive control of the Defendants and, in the absence of records, to cooperate in alternative methods for the determination of work for which contributions are due, and;

(2) Grant such other or further relief, legal or equitable, as is just, necessary or appropriate.

COUNT IV CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER CONTRACT AFTER AUDIT

- 30. The allegations of Paragraph 1 through 29 are incorporated by reference as if fully restated.
- 31. On information and belief, Defendants have failed to make contributions to the Funds as required by its Labor Contract or Trust Agreements in a period not barred by any applicable statute of limitations or similar bar.
- 32. On information and belief, the Defendants have been damaged by the failure of the Defendants to make contributions as required by their Labor Contracts or Trust Agreement.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs ask that the Court:

- (a) After an audit, enter judgment against the Defendants in favor of the Plaintiffs for the amount of contributions found due and owing by an audit together with liquidated damages, interest and costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in this action or the collection and enforcement of any judgment, as provided in the Labor Contract or Trust Agreements.
- (b) Grant such other or further relief, legal or equitable, as may be just, necessary or appropriate.

COUNT V CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER ERISA AFTER AUDIT

33. The allegations of Paragraph 1 through 32 are incorporated by reference as if fully restated.

- 34. On information and belief, the Plaintiffs have failed to make contributions to the Funds in violation of 29 U.S.C. § 1145 in a period not barred by an applicable statute of limitations or similar bar.
- 35. The Plaintiffs are without sufficient information or knowledge to plead the precise nature, extent and amount of the Defendants' delinquency since the books, records and information necessary to determine this liability are in the possession, control or knowledge of the Defendants and the Defendants' failed to submit contribution reports for the period from in a January 2018 to the present.
- 36. On information and belief, the Plaintiffs have been damaged by the Defendants violation of 29 U.S.C. §1145.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs ask that the Court:

(a) After an audit, enter judgment against the Defendants in favors of the Plaintiffs for contributions found due and owing by the audit, together with interest at the rate prescribed by 26 U.S.C. §6621 from the due date for payment until the date of actual payment, liquidated damages equal to the greater of the interest on the unpaid contributions or liquidated damages provided by the plan document or statute and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred in this action and in connection with any proceedings to enforce or collect any judgment.

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(b) Grant such other or further relief, legal or equitable, as may be just, necessary or appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

FREEDMAN AND LORRY, P.C.

BY:

SUSAN A. MURRAY (ID NO. 53036)

1601 Market Street, Suite 200

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(215) 925-8400

Attorneys for Plaintiffs

Date: May 2, 2019

EXHIBIT 1

TENTATIVE AGREEMENT (Service and Maintenance)

DISTRICT 1199C, NATIONAL UNION OF HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CARE EMPLOYEES, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, herein the "Union," and CENTER CITY HEALTHCARE (HAHNEMANN UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL), agree to modify the current collective bargaining agreement as follows:

1. Amend Article V, Sections 1 through 8 to reflect the following:

Effective upon ratification of this agreement, full-time employees shall receive a onetime bonus of \$400 that shall not be added to the employee's base rate. Part-time employees shall receive a prorated bonus based upon their regularly scheduled hours of work.

Effective January 1, 2019: 2.0% across the board and in the rate

Effective January 1, 2020: 2.0% across the board and in the rate

Effective January 1, 2021: 2.0% across the board and in the rate

2. Create new language to read:

<u>Preceptor</u> Pay: Any employee responsible for training or orienting an employee shall receive preceptor pay in the amount of \$1.00 per hour. Management will designate and assign employees as preceptors on a voluntary basis when appropriate. When there are insufficient volunteers, management shall have the right to assign the work.

3. Amend Article VI, STEP 2 to read:

STEP TWO. The grievance shall be reduced to writing by the grievant or the Union and referred to the grievances Department Head or his/her authorized representative. A hearing on the grievance shall be convened within ten (10) days of receipt. if requested by either party. The Department Head or his/her authorized representative shall have ten (10) days after the hearing receipt of the grievance to give his/her answer. If no satisfactory settlement is reached within five (5) ten (10) days after the Department Head's answer the grievant or the Union may appeal the matter to—

4. Amend Article VI, Effect of Failure to Appeal to read:

Effect of Failure to Appeal. Any grievance shall be considered as settled on the basis of the last answer of Hahnemann if not appealed to the next step or to arbitration within the time limitations set forth herein. In the event that the Employer fails to answer a grievance in a timely manner, the grievance shall be deemed to be sustained. Time is of the essence.

5. Amend Article XV, Section 1 to read:

1. A shift differential of ten (10%) percent per hour of an employee's regular straight-time rate shall be paid to all employees who are assigned to work at least half of their scheduled hours between assigned whose straight time hours start at or after 2:00 P.M. and before 6:00 A.M. Shift differential shall be included when calculating an employee's holiday pay, sick pay or vacation pay only and shall not be included for any other benefit whatsoever. [The Employer will endeavor to make this change in its payroll system within 90 days, to become effective at that time. In the event the change takes more than 90 days, the Employer shall notify the Union with a new effective date].

6. Amend Article XVI, DEATH IN FAMILY to read:

In the event of the death of an employee's parent, spouse, child, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent or grandchild, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, stepparent, stepbrother, stepsister and stepchildren an employee who has completed his/her probationary period will be allowed up to three (3) five (5) regular scheduled days off with pay at his/her regular straight time rate provided time off is taken between the date of death and the day following the funeral. In the event the funeral is scheduled on a day that is not a regularly scheduled work day for the employee, s/he shall not receive any pay for that day under this provision. Advance notice must be given to the employee's supervisor before any time off can be taken.

An employee shall be able to use vacation, personal or unpaid days to extend bereavement leave with the approval of the Department Head.

There shall be no duplication of payment that the employee may otherwise receive under this Agreement. Proof of death and verification of relationship may be required <u>prior to the employee receiving bereavement pay</u>.

7. Amend Article XVIII, Section 1 to read:

1. Sick leave is defined as the absence of an employee from his/her regularly scheduled work because of illness or an injury which is non-work connected and not compensable under the Pennsylvania Worker's Compensation Laws. An employee may use up to-two-(2) three (3) sick days or partial days per year to cover time lost from work for visits to the doctor or dentist, provided such time is requested at least five (5) working days in advance and approved. Such approval shall not be unreasonably denied. An employee may use up to two (2) sick days or partial sick days per year to cover time lost from work for care of an employee's parent, spouse, child, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent or grandchild who are ill.

8. Amend Article XVIII, Section 2 to read:

Upon the completion of a regular full-time employee's probationary period, s/he shall earn paid sick leave at the rate of one (1) day for each month of continuous employment up to a maximum of one hundred-thirty (130) days. The Employer will indicate sick time balances on employee pay stubs.

9. Amend Article XIX, Section 2 to read:

In addition, an employee may request and be granted three (3) twenty-four (24) hours of personal holidays of their choice (sixteen (16) hours of personal holidays for part-time employees) provided fifteen (15) days advance notice is given and there is no conflict with the work schedule of the Department. In the event of an emergency, an employee may request the use of his/her three (3) personal holidays without giving fifteen (15) days advance notice provided, that advance approval is sought and obtained, with as must notice as possible and provided further that such approval shall not be unreasonably denied. Each regular full-time employee shall be paid the number of hours s/he is regularly scheduled to work at his/her regular straight-time rate, and each part-time employee shall be paid the number of hours s/he is regularly scheduled to work at his/her regular rate of pay on a pro-rata basis based upon the average hours per day s/he worked during the thirty (30) day period immediately preceding the holiday, provided that:

- (a) such employee has satisfactorily completed his/her probationary period preceding the taking of such holiday; and
- (b) such employee works his/her entire scheduled work day immediately proceeding and his/her entire scheduled work day immediately following the holiday, except for absence approved by Hahnemann.

10. Amend Article XX, Section 2 to read:

2.	Continuous Service	Paid Vacation (Eff. 1/1/19)	(Eff. 1/1/20)
	One to Eight Years	10- 11 Work Days	12 Work Days
	Eight to Fifteen Years	15- 16 Work Days	17 Work Days
	Over Fifteen Years	20- 21 Work Days	22 Work Days

(An employee who has worked for six (6) months bus less than one (1) year may take five (5) work days of their first year's vacation at that time).

11. Amend Article XXI, Section 1 to reflect the following:

Effective July 1, 2018, the contribution percentage set forth in Article XXI, Section 1 shall be 36.4%. This rate may be increased by the Trustees of the Benefit Fund, if necessary, but not higher than a rate of 38.8%. Employees electing dependent coverage shall contribute an additional \$10.00 per week effective July 1, 2018, and an additional \$10.00 per week effective July 1, 2019. Employees electing employee only coverage shall contribute an additional \$5.00 per week effective July 1, 2019.

12. Amend Article XXVIII, Section 1 to reflect the following:

The parties adopt the Rehabilitation Plan, Schedule A, adopted by the Pension Trustees in 2017 and which sets forth a contribution rate of \$21.55%.

13. Amend XXXIII to read:

Hahnemann agrees to continue its uniform policy as heretofore. Those employees who are required to wear uniforms and who are not provided uniforms shall receive a uniform allowance of \$135.00 \$175.00 annually payable in three (3) payments on August 15, December 15, and April 15 of each contract year. These payments will be received in a separate check.

Unit Clerks will order five (5) white button down shirts and two navy blue cardigans by August 30, 2018. Beginning in 2019, Unit Clerks will receive two (2) white button down shirts and one navy blue cardigan each year until the expiration of the CBA. Unit Clerks will therefore not receive an allowance.

PCAs will have scrubs provided for them each year and will not receive an allowance.

14 Create a Side Letter to read:

It shall be the objective of the Employer, consistent with operational needs and management's right, to assign plant operations work to bargaining unit employees. The current job description for the General Mechanic provides that employees in that position may be assigned to a variety of task across crafts. While it is the intent of the Employer to assign work within craft or job title, the Employer reserves its right to assign work to the General Mechanic across all crafts. Further, as the current job descriptions for all positions within plant operations provide that employees may be assigned to a variety of tasks, the Employer reserves the right in an emergency situation or a situation requiring expedited action, to assign work to employees within a particular craft or trade across crafts and trades. It is the Employer's preference to assign employees within their craft or trade.

15. Create a Side Letter to read:

The parties agree to meet within ninety (90) days of ratification of the agreement, or anytime thereafter, to address any issues in assigning overtime within any department.

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The Employer agrees to maintain the current cost of employees' parking for the remainder of the agreement unless the Employer provides a better benefit to any other unit of employees.

17. Create Side Letter to read:

The Employer and the Union agree to meet within ninety (90) days to negotiate changes to the current attendance policy, including allowing the Employer to beginning the progressive discipline process on the eleventh call-out for current employees, and on the eight call-out for employees hired after the effective date of this agreement. The parties will also address other issues with the attendance policy.

18. The Employer shall restore any paid leave time utilized by members of the bargaining committee to attend negotiations sessions for the 2018 negotiations with the Employer.

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TENTATIVE AGREEMENT (Technical)

DISTRICT 1199C, NATIONAL UNION OF HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CARE EMPLOYEES, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, herein the "Union," and CENTER CITY HEALTHCARE (HAHNEMANN UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL), agree to modify the current collective bargaining agreement as follows:

1. Amend Article V, Sections 1 through 8 to reflect the following:

Effective upon ratification of this agreement, full-time employees shall receive a onetime bonus of \$400 that shall not be added to the employee's base rate. Part-time employees shall receive a prorated bonus based upon their regularly scheduled hours of work.

Effective January 1, 2019: 2.0% across the board and in the rate

Effective January 1, 2020: 2.0% across the board and in the rate

Effective January 1, 2021: 2.0% across the board and in the rate

2. Create new language to read:

<u>Preceptor</u> Pay: Any employee responsible for training or orienting an employee shall receive preceptor pay in the amount of \$1.00 per hour. Management will designate and assign employees as preceptors on a voluntary basis when appropriate. When there are insufficient volunteers, management shall have the right to assign the work.

3. Amend Article VI, STEP 2 to read:

STEP TWO. The grievance shall be reduced to writing by the grievant or the Union and referred to the grievances Department Head or his/her authorized representative. A hearing on the grievance shall be convened within ten (10) days of receipt, if requested by either party. The Department Head or his/her authorized representative shall have ten (10) days after the hearing receipt of the grievance to give his/her answer. If no satisfactory settlement is reached within five (5) ten (10) days after the Department Head's answer the grievant or the Union may appeal the matter to—

4. Amend Article VI, Effect of Failure to Appeal to read:

Effect of Failure to Appeal. Any grievance shall be considered as settled on the basis of the last answer of Hahnemann if not appealed to the next step or to arbitration within the time limitations set forth herein. In the event that the Employer fails to answer a grievance in a timely manner, the grievance shall be deemed to be sustained. Time is of the essence.

5. Amend Article XXXI – CALL BACK & ON CALL to reflect the following:

Increase on-call pay from \$3.00 per hour to \$5.00 per hour. Provide on-call pay for all employees scheduled to be on call.

6. Amend Article XIII - SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL to read:

1. A shift differential of ten (10%) percent per hour of an employee's regular straight-time rate shall be paid to all employees who are assigned to work at least half of their scheduled hours between assigned whose straight time hours start at or after 2:00 P.M. and before 6:00 A.M. Shift differential shall be included when calculating an Employee's holiday, vacation or sick pay only, and shall not be included for any other benefit whatsoever. [The Employer will endeavor to make this change in its payroll system within 90 days, to become effective at that time. In the event the change takes more than 90 days, the Employer shall notify the Union with a new effective date].

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In the event of the death of an employee's parent, spouse, child, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent or grandchild, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, stepparent, stepbrother, stepsister and stepchildren an employee who has completed his/her probationary period will be allowed up to three (3) five (5) regular scheduled days off with pay at his/her regular straight time rate provided time off is taken between the date of death and the day following the funeral. In the event the funeral is scheduled on a day that is not a regularly scheduled work day for the employee, s/he shall not receive any pay for that day under this provision. Advance notice must be given to the employee's supervisor before any time off can be taken.

An employee shall be able to use vacation, personal or unpaid days to extend bereavement leave with the approval of the Department Head.

There shall be no duplication of payment that the employee may otherwise receive under this Agreement. Proof of death and verification of relationship may be required <u>prior to the employee receiving bereavement pay</u>.

8. Amend Article XXVI, Section 1 – SICK LEAVE to read:

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9. Amend Article XVI, Section 2 – VACATION to read:

2.	Continuous Service	Paid Vacation (Eff. 1/1/19)	(Eff. 1/1/20)
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EXHIBIT 2



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April 5, 2019

VIA EMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Melissa Alfieri, HR Director Hahnemann University Hospital Human Resources, MS 371 230 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

Re: Pension Fund for Hospital and Health Care Employees - Philadelphia and Vicinity

Contributions and Remittance Reports Delinquency

Dear Ms. Alfieri:

As you know, this office represents the Pension Fund for Hospital and Healthcare Employees-Philadelphia and Vicinity ("Fund"). According to the Fund's records, Hahnemann University Hospital ("Hahnemann") has not submitted the contribution and remittance report for the month of February 2019.

Under applicable federal law, the Fund is required to collect the outstanding contributions due and owing the Fund. The Fund would like to settle this matter in an amicable fashion. Please be advised that if the outstanding reports and contributions are not received within ten days from the date of this letter, the Fund has authorized this office to proceed with legal action.

In the event that litigation becomes necessary, Hahnemann's costs will substantially increase, including not only the contributions, interest and liquidated damages, but also attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 1132 (g)(2). I trust such action is not required.

If you or your legal counsel has any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

FREEDMAN AND LORRY, P.C.

SUSAN A. MURRÂY

SM/vs

cc:

Laverne DeValia, Executive Director

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EXHIBIT 3



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April 5, 2019

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April 4, 2019

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Re: Philadelphia Hospital and Health Care Employees-District 1199C Training and Upgrading-Delinquent Contributions and Outstanding Remittance Reports

Dear Ms. Alfieri:

This office represents the Philadelphia Hospital and Health Care Employees-District 1199C Training & Upgrading Fund ("Fund"). According to the Fund, Hahnemann University Hospital ("HUH") owes the Fund contributions and remittance reports for the months of January 2019 and February 2019. Remittance reports for September 2018, October 2018, and November 2018 are also owed to the Fund. As you know, March 2019's contribution and remittance report will be due by April 30, 2019.

Under applicable federal law, the Fund is required to collect the outstanding contributions due and owing the Fund. The Fund would like to settle this matter in an amicable fashion. As such, this letter represents the Fund's final demand for the outstanding contributions and remittance reports before litigation is instituted in United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Please be advised that if the outstanding remittance reports and contributions are not received within ten days from the date of this letter, the Fund has authorized this office to proceed with legal action.

In the event that litigation becomes necessary, HUH's costs will substantially increase, including not only the contributions, interest and liquidated damages, but also attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to 29 U.S.C. § 1132 (g)(2). I trust such action is not required. If payment and reports are not received within ten (10) days from the date of this letter the Fund may initiate legal proceedings in this matter.

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If you or your legal counsel should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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SUSAN A. MURRAY

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cc: Elizabeth Hammond